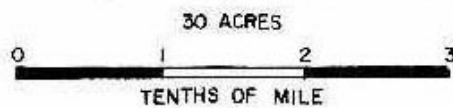


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# OTTER POND

CHAIN-OF-PONDS TWP, FRANKLIN CO., MAINE



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Chain of Ponds Twp., Franklin County  
U.S.G.S. Chain of Ponds, Maine (7½') and  
U.S.G.S. Northwest Pond, Maine (7½')

## Fishes

Brook trout	Fathead minnow
Minnows	Blacknose dace
Blacknose shiner	Creek chub
Redbelly dace	White sucker

## Physical Characteristics

Area - 30 acres

Temperatures:

Maximum depth - 8 feet

Surface - 75°F

7 feet - 73°F

Principal fisheries: Brook trout

Otter Pond is located north of Indian Stream Mountain. A small inlet enters the southeast corner of the pond and its outlet flows north into Horseshoe Stream. The pond's shoreline is undeveloped.

Water quality in Otter Pond is marginal for coldwater gamefish. Summer water temperatures reach critically high levels for brook trout, but they seek refuge in cool springs to survive. Spawning and nursery areas in the pond are limited, so annual stockings are required to supplement the small native brook trout population. Growth is poor with heavy competition from suckers and minnows.

Otter Pond is accessible via a trail reached by a series of gravel logging roads off Route 27. It is open to fishing with the use of live fish as bait being prohibited in the open water season. The pond is closed to fishing in the winter months.

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Resurveyed - 1972, 1993

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